

# MANDATE

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Meehan v. State of New York

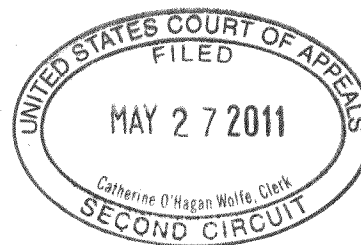
## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

### SUMMARY ORDER

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At a stated term of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, held at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, in the City of New York, on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, two thousand eleven.

PRESENT: AMALYA L. KEARSE,  
GERARD E. LYNCH,  
J. CLIFFORD WALLACE,\*  
*Circuit Judges.*



DENNIS MEEHAN,

*Plaintiff-Appellant,*

v.

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STATE OF NEW YORK, N.Y. STATE DEPT. OF  
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, CORCRAFT  
INDUSTRIES, *et al.*,

*Defendants-Appellees,\*\**

FOR APPELLANT: Dennis Meehan, *pro se*, Fallsburg, New York.

\* Senior Judge J. Clifford Wallace of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, sitting by designation.

\*\* The Clerk of Court is instructed to amend the official caption in this case to conform to the listing of the parties above.

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Appeal from a judgment of the United States District Court for the Northern District of  
New York (Scullin, *J.*; DiBianco, *M.J.*).

**UPON DUE CONSIDERATION, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND  
DECREED** that the judgment of the district court be **AFFIRMED**.

Dennis Meehan, *pro se*, appeals from the district court's dismissal, pursuant to 28 U.S.C.  
§ 1915(e), of his complaint against the State of New York, the New York State Department of  
Correctional Services, and Corcraft Industries, and its summary judgment for the remaining  
defendants. We assume the parties' familiarity with the relevant facts and procedural history.

We review a district court's 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e) dismissal *de novo*. See Giano v.  
Goord, 250 F.3d 146, 149-50 (2d Cir. 2001). We also review a summary judgment *de novo*,  
resolving all ambiguities and drawing all permissible inferences in favor of the non-moving  
party. See Redd v. Wright, 597 F.3d 532, 535 (2d Cir. 2010).

Having conducted an independent and *de novo* review of the record, we affirm the district  
court's orders for substantially the same reasons stated by the district court in its thorough and  
well-reasoned decisions. With respect to the October 11, 2006, order, although Meehan was not  
given the opportunity to amend his complaint prior to dismissal, see McEachin v. McGuinnis,  
357 F.3d 197, 200 (2d Cir. 2004), such amendment would have been futile because Corcraft  
Industries is immune from his claims, see Komlosi v. N.Y. State Office of Mental Retardation  
and Dev. Disabilities, 64 F.3d 810, 815 (2d Cir. 1995) (sovereign immunity applies to  
“governmental entities that are considered arms of the state for Eleventh Amendment purposes”

(quotation marks omitted)). With respect to the September 29, 2009, order, Meehan failed to exhaust all available administrative remedies before bringing his federal suit, see 42 U.S.C. § 1997e(a), and has not shown any special circumstances that would justify this failure, see Brownell v. Krom, 446 F.3d 305, 311-12 (2d Cir. 2006).

We have considered Appellant's other arguments on appeal and conclude that they are without merit. Accordingly, the judgment of the district court is hereby **AFFIRMED**.

FOR THE COURT:

Catherine O'Hagan Wolfe, Clerk



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